

8 displaying on a monitor screen some of the program listings;
9 moving a cursor on the screen to mark one of the displayed
10 program listings; and

11 displaying simultaneously with the program listings the
12 program note corresponding to the marked program listing, such that
13 the program note displayed on the screen changes as the cursor
14 moves. --

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-- 32. The method of claim 31, in which the step of displaying
the program note overlays the program note over a portion of the
displayed program listings so the portion of the displayed program
4 listings is not visible. --

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-- 33. The method of claim 32, in which the step of displaying
the program note overlays the program note on different areas of
the screen depending on the position of the marked program listing
such that the marked program listing remains totally visible. --

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-- 34. The method of claim 32, in which the screen has an upper
half and a lower half, the cursor moving step marks a program
listing located in one half of the screen, and the step of
displaying the program note overlays the program note on the other
half of the screen. --

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-- 35. The method of claim 34, in which the step of displaying
the program note is initiated and terminated responsive to a user
command. --

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-- 36. The method of claim 31, in which the step of displaying
the program note is initiated and terminated responsive to a user
command. --

1 -- 37. The method of claim 31, in which the step of displaying
2 the program note displays a program description. --

1 -- 38. The method of claim 31, in which the step of displaying
2 some of the program listings displays program listings in a two
3 dimensional channel and time grid guide format.

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1 -- 39. The method of claim 31, in which the step of displaying
2 some of the program listings displays program listings in a single
3 channel format. --

1 -- 40. An electronic program guide comprising:
2 television program listings;
3 program notes corresponding to at least some of the television
4 program listings;
5 a time and channel guide in which some of the television
6 program listings are displayed; and
7 a moveable cursor that selectively highlights one of the
8 television program listings displayed in the guide,
9 wherein a program note corresponding to the highlighted
10 program listing is displayed simultaneously with the television
11 program listings in the electronic program guide, and
12 wherein the program note displayed changes as the cursor
13 moves. --

1 -- 41. The electronic program guide according to claim 40
2 wherein the time and channel guide comprises a grid guide. --

1 -- 42. The electronic program guide according to claim 40
2 wherein the program note is displayed overlaying a portion of the
3 displayed program listings so the portion of the displayed program
4 listings is not visible. --

1 -- 43. The electronic program guide according to claim 42
2 wherein the program note is displayed on different areas of the
3 screen depending on the position of the highlighted program listing
4 such that the highlighted program listing remains totally
5 visible. --

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Can 1 -- 44. The electronic program guide according to claim 42
2 further comprising means for initiating and terminating the display
of the program note responsive to a user command. --

1 -- 45. The electronic program guide according to claim 40
2 further comprising means for initiating and terminating the display
3 of the program note responsive to a user command. --

1 -- 46. The electronic program guide according to claim 40
2 wherein the displayed program note comprises a program
3 description. --

1 -- 47. The electronic program guide according to claim 40
2 wherein the time and channel guide comprises a single channel
3 format grid guide. --

1 -- 48. A microprocessor programmed to operate with a display
2 monitor and a RAM so as to generate signals that display television
3 program listings stored in the RAM on the display monitor in a time
4 and channel guide format having a plurality of cells in which the
5 television program listings are displayed,
6 generate signals that highlight one of the cells, and
7 generate signals that display, simultaneously with the
8 television program listings, a program note corresponding to the
9 television program listing displayed in the highlighted cell. --